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SUBJECT: TANZANIAN ARMY ATTACK ON BURUNDI TERRITORY REPORTED

1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED BY SOURCES CLOSE TO PRESIDENT MICOMBERO (AND BY ZAIRE EMBOFF) THAT TANZANIAN SOLDIERS MOUNTED ATTACK ON BURUNDI TERRITORY IN MABANDA (SOUTHERN) BORDER AREA AUGUST 13.

2. ACCORDING ONE QUALIFIED SOURCE, TANZANIAN FORCE OF UNKNOWN SIZE ADVANCED FOUR KILOMETERS ACROSS BORDER, EXPANDING "LARGE NUMBER" OF MORTER ROUNDS FOR FOUR HOURS AND BURNING HUTS IN ONE UNOCCUPIED VILLAGE. THERE WERE NO KNOWN CASUALTIES AND BURUNDI ARMY SAID NOT HAVE RESPONDED. NO REFUGEES WERE INVOLVED SO FAR AS GRB AWARE.

3. VISIT NOT YET REPORTED HERE, BUT SAME SOURCE SAYS TANZANIAN VICE PRESIDENT KAWAWA PASSED THROUGH BUJUMBURA IN TRANSIT AUGUST 15 AND SAW MICOMBERO. IT WAS THOUGHT THAT MICOMBERO RAISED MATTER WITH HIM.YOST

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